

## HELLIER NEWS

(By HARRY COHEN)

### Dangerous Accident Occurs in Mine.

Jack Elkins, employed at Allegheny, almost met his fate last Friday when his life became imperiled by falling slate in the mine. It is reported. It is said, it took several men an hour to dig him out of the slate. One leg was broken, his face crushed and he was bruised about the hands. Medical service was summoned as quickly as possible and he was rushed on a hand car to Marrowbone, station eight miles from Hellier to catch the eastbound passenger train, where he was taken to a Louisville hospital. He has some chance of recovery.

### Wedding Bells Ring For Another Two Hellier Couples.

Miss Layna Huff, sister of Mrs. Britton Huff, who conducts a store in this place, became the bride of Louis Francis, a popular young man of Ashland, at the home of the bride, the Rev. Geo. Casebolt officiating.

Jim Anderson, of the Anderson lunch room, and Ada Stewart were quietly married last Saturday night, almost before anyone had known of it. The Rev. Geo. Casebolt performed the ceremony.

Both brides and grooms are among Hellier's amiable young folks, and have the best wishes of their many friends.

### Mrs. Clarke Returns Home.

Mrs. Mary Johnston Clarke, assistant C. & C. ticket agent, and the two daughters of W. E. Johnston, ticket agent, have returned home after an extended trip to Louisville, Huntington and Morehead. Mrs. Clarke reports a delightful time.

### The Flat Woods Party.

The Hellier society circle became very alert last Sunday when ten of our most popular young ladies and men consisting of R. R. Armstrong, Vernia Childers, Lena Lyons, L. H. Pigg, Flo Lyons, Charles A. Scott, Grace Moore, Loring Wortman, Virgie Maynard, W. D. Sanders went horse back riding for a huge picnic in the flat woods. Baskets filled with plenty of wholesome food was taken along and a most delightful trip was reported. Kodak pictures were taken of immediate surroundings. This is one of the biggest occasions Hellier society folks have had this season.

### The Hellier Gossip.

What has become of the old fashioned man that says that he can buy a pair of shoes for a dollar?

Some people drink, and drink, and drink, and just keep on drinking, and the first thing you know they're drunk.

### Edgewater Baseball Team Plays At Elkhorn City.

The story follows in a nutshell: "The Edgewater baseball team, why they journeyed to Elkhorn City. Oh! What a pity. They played so doggedly clever, Elkhorn City beat them worse than ever!"

To the Hellier boys I know this poem will be most appealing, and I can count my lucky stars if the Edgewater boys don't throw me clear thru the ceiling.

### Goodsons Visiting In Hellier.

Mr. and Mrs. Marsh Goodson, of the western part of the State are visiting relatives and their many friends in Hellier. Mr. and Mrs. Goodson formerly resided in Hellier and were active church members and workers. Everyone is glad to see them back.

### Camp Meeting In Hellier.

A big camp meeting is on schedule July 15th. Miss Jessie Stratton will assist the Rev. Wm. Kirk in the camp meeting which will begin July 15, Sunday. She is divinely sent out by God to preach the gospel. She has been attending the Cincinnati Bible School, where she spent four years in theology work and music. Miss Stratton is now both willing and able to go on the battle field for her Master. We welcome her in this big camp meeting to help others live up as God wishes. Be sure to come to hear her.

### G. C. Ratliff Appointed As Postmaster Of Hellier.

G. C. Ratliff, who has been the acting postmaster since the death of Patton Bartley, has been duly appointed by the department as postmaster. G. C. is a splendid young man, well liked by the community and nearly everyone is glad that he got the appointment.

### The Official Bulletin.

Is on file at the Hellier postoffice and open for your inspection. This bulletin is published daily under the order of the President by the committee on public information. If you want to know just what the United States is doing, step in and read this bulletin.

### Wanted At Once.

A subscription solicitor for the Big Sandy News, Hellier's home paper, in Edgewater, Allegheny and Lookout. Very easy, respectable and pleasant work. Liberal proposition. See our Hellier representative Harry Cohen.

Ashland, Ky., June 22.—Alvin Hagins, 24 years old and unmarried, employed at a coal tipple, was run over by a train and instantly killed. It is supposed he sat down to wait for a friend and fell asleep and failed to note the approaching train.

## HAVE YOU BEEN SICK?

Then you realize the utter weakness that robs ambition, destroys appetite, and makes work a burden.

To restore that strength and stamina that is so essential, nothing has ever equalled or compared with Scott's Emulsion, because its strength-sustaining nourishment invigorates the blood to distribute energy throughout the body while its tonic value sharpens the appetite and restores health in a natural, permanent way.

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## PIKE COUNTY NEWS

### RED CROSS ORGANIZATION.

At a very enthusiastic mass meeting held at the courthouse on Thursday evening, June 21 the Pike County Kentucky Chapter of the American Red Cross Society was formed. The meeting was presided over by A. F. Childers, chairman of the temporary organization, and splendid addresses were made by Fred J. F. Record, of Pikeville College, the Rev. J. L. Vinson, of the First Presbyterian church. A number of Pikeville's young ladies dressed as Red Cross nurses, occupied a prominent position on the platform and helped in the enrolling of members.

The nominating committee made its report, which was received as a whole, and the following officers were elected: Chairman—Mrs. Jas. Draper Francis, Vice-Chairman—Mrs. F. Tom Hatch.

Secretary—Mrs. N. Starkey.

Treasurer—Mr. Linton Trivette.

As chairman of the Financial Committee, Mr. J. D. Francis made a stirring appeal for gifts, and the response was very enthusiastic, and quiet in keeping with the generous spirit always shown by Pikeville people.

The largest single contribution was made by the Pond Creek Coal Co., and amounted to \$10,000, of which \$5,000 was given through the Boston Chapter, and \$5,000 through the Pike County Kentucky Chapter. This gift was made before the Pike County Kentucky Chapter began to ask for contributions and was entirely unsolicited. This corporation together with the Island Creek Coal Co., which operates at Holden, W. Va., and is owned by practically the same people, gave probably the largest amount of money by any corporation in this section of the country, the Island Creek Coal Co. having made a contribution of \$5,000 through the Logan County West Virginia Chapter, and \$20,000 through the Boston Chapter.

The second largest contribution in Pike-co., Ky., was made by the employees of the Pond Creek Coal Co., at Stone, Ky., who gave \$525.00.

Other corporations and individuals gave various amounts. Those giving \$100 or over were:

Kentland Coal & Coke Co., \$400

Edgewater Coal Co., 200

Portsmouth Solvay Co., 250

\$100 each was contributed by First National Bank, Pikeville National Bank, Pikeville Grocery Co., Kentucky Wholesale Co., Tierney Mining Co., Allegheny Coal Co., Sharon Coal & Coke Co., J. A. Scott, E. T. Hatch, J. D. Francis, C. C. Bowles, Will M. Smith, H. H. Stallard, T. H. Harman, F. O. Rogers.

\$50 each contributed by T. N. Huffman, W. B. Taylor, Geo. W. Greer, Ira Williams, Mack Bowles.

\$25 each by W. W. Gray, D. T. Keel, J. F. Pauley, J. R. Johnson, Jr., Francis L. Rice, Tom Williamson, R. T. Huffman, W. H. Price, A. E. Auxler, S. A. Gantz.

And a number of others gave smaller amounts, making a total, at this time, (Wednesday noon) of \$5607.50.

Through the generosity of N. Starkey, the Pike County Chapter will have its headquarters on the first floor of the Campbell-Auxler building on Grace avenue, which will be made ready for them as soon as possible. As soon as this is done, the public will be welcomed at any time for any information that may be desired about the work and plans of the chapter.

### RALLY TO CALL OF RED CROSS.

At a business meeting held Friday afternoon, the Archane Club, which is an afternoon social and embroidery club, decided that the time for pleasure alone was past, and that while the brothers and friends of the club members were being called to the colors in the defense of our country's ideals, they, too, would rally to the call of the Red Cross and volunteer for home service. So at once the Archane Auxiliary of the Pike County Kentucky Chapter was formed and the following officers were chosen:

Chairman—Miss Lorraine Bowles.

Secretary—Miss Ethel Ruth Francis.

Treasurer—Mrs. Walter Hatcher.

Fifteen members were enrolled and plans were made for work to be commenced at once. This organization will meet at least once a week for any work there may be assigned to it to do.

### MRS. AMICK ENTERTAINS.

Mrs. S. J. Amick very pleasantly entertained the Archane Club, and other guests at her home on Fourth-st., Friday afternoon. The porch and pleasant sitting room were arranged to give the greatest possible comfort and pleasure to the guests, who were Mrs. James D. Francis, Mrs. W. Dee Sutton, Mrs. Linton Trivette, Mrs. Will Yost, Mrs. T. G. Parker, Mrs. Sidney Trivette, Mrs. A. S. Reese, Mrs. Walter Hatcher, Mrs. Dave Williamson, Misses Lorraine Bowles, Ruth Greer, Alma Matney, Ethel Francis, Kathryn Keel, Violet Walker, Mary Morgan, Elsie Davenport, Lucille Daves, Sara Williamson. At a seasonable hour, delicious ices, cake and coffee were served.

### ROBT. BUSKIRK MARRIED.

The many friends of Mr. Robert Buskirk, of Matewan, W. Va., will be interested to learn of his marriage to Mrs. Ruby Barbee, of Hot Springs, Ark. They arrived in Matewan on Sunday a week ago and are at home on the estate of Mr. Buskirk, in Pike-co., opposite Matewan.

### PROF. BIGGS HERE.

Mr. Alfred DeFord Biggs, who was here for a number of years as a student at Pikeville college, and is now teaching in an agricultural school in Salsberry, Connecticut, is spending this week here as a guest at the home of Dr. and Mrs. James F. Record.

### PERSONAL.

Seaton Biggs, who is employed for the summer at the plant of the Sycamore Coal Co., at Cinderella, W. Va., is spending a few days here.

Mr. T. H. Harman and little daughter, Ruth, went to Cincinnati Monday, where he will have Ruth's tonsils removed.

Mr. James Francis left Monday for Stone, Ky., where he will spend several days this week.

H. S. Adkins of Seco, Ky., was in town Tuesday, looking after business matters.

Mrs. Lida Hellier of Bangor, Maine, is spending a few weeks here the guest

of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Hatcher.

Mr. Massey Gatewood, of Huntington, West Va., is spending a few days of this week here.

C. C. Bowles was a business visitor in Ashland and Huntington Wednesday and Thursday.

O. A. Stump of Catlettsburg, was a business visitor here early in the week.

Mrs. F. O. Rogers and two daughters have been visiting Mrs. Lon Rogers in Ashland.

S. M. Cecil has been in Catlettsburg and Huntington looking after business.

### FLOYD COUNTY'S

### RECORD FOR WEEK.

#### Entertains To Dinner.

Mrs. Wm. Fleu entertained at her home on "Cline Heights" last Friday to six o'clock dinner. Covers were laid for Fred Atkinson, Bruce Atkinson and John Preston.

#### Eastern Star.

Monday evening was the regular meeting of Ash Chapter No. 24 of the Eastern Star. The visiting members were Mrs. Harry Barrs and Miss Barrs of Wellston, Ohio, who is worthy Matron of the Wellston Chapter. After the meeting the chapter repaired to the Star Drug Co. for refreshments.

#### Visitor From Nebraska.

Miss Grace Auxler of Dawson, Neb., the attractive guest of Ruth Davidson.

#### Organize Christian Endeavor.

The members of all the churches met last Thursday evening at the Irene Col Memorial Church for the purpose of organizing a Christian Endeavor Society for the young folks of Prestonsburg. Officers and committees were elected and the first meeting was called for Monday evening.

#### Red Cross Work Going On.

Literature has been sent to Mr. and Mrs. W. P. McVay for the purpose of organizing a Red Cross chapter, from Washington. They have succeeded in gaining a chapter. A meeting will be held soon and officers will be elected.

#### Called To St. Louis.

Mrs. Thomas Wilkinson and Jo M. Davidson were called to St. Louis Saturday afternoon by the illness of their sister Mrs. Judith D. Kelson, who is there in Barnes hospital suffering from an operation. Her condition is critical but physicians give hope of her recovery. Her many friends here are anxious about her.

#### \$10,000 Bail For Coyer.

The examining trial of John Coyer, who is accused for murder of Lula Viers, was held Wednesday afternoon and bail of \$10,000 was fixed and he was bound over to appear before the grand jury in September.

#### Local And Personal.

Mrs. Anne Powers Cox has returned to her home at Honaker, Va., after a short visit with her brother, O. P. Powers, at the Elizabeth hotel.

Mrs. Leonidas S. Moles and little niece Frances Janes have returned from a visit to Miss Minerva Friend in Cincinnati.

Mrs. C. W. Evans, who has been visiting Mrs. Sybil Koser in Wilmington, Delaware, is home again.

Mrs. F. H. Hopkins is in Huntington visiting her daughter, Mrs. T. E. Dimick.

Mrs. Edith C. Goble and children left Friday for Vanceburg to visit her aunt, Mrs. James Martin.

Bruce Atkinson has returned from Beaver creek.

Eustace Thompkins of Huntington spent Sunday here.

Tommy Brubaker, connected with Bates & Rogers on Beaver creek was a Sunday visitor here.

Mrs. G. P. Archer was in Auxler Tuesday of this week visiting her son.

Mrs. George Archer, Jr., and son George, Jr., were visiting Miss May at Dvale Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Hawkins have returned from Olympia and stays here a few days rest and recreation.

Mrs. N. M. White left Monday for Chattanooga, Tenn., to attend the marriage of her niece, Miss Margaret Davis to Mr. Edward McMillan.

Fred Atkinson spent Sunday with his family in Paintsville.

David Cooley, who is working at Lecky with the C. & O., was here Saturday visiting relatives.

Miss Douglas Porter, who has been attending school at Richmond has returned home.

Mrs. Jo Cockell of Henry Clay is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. Evans.

Ashland, Ky., June 21.—This city is installing a modern street lighting system. At a recent meeting of the City Council \$5,000 was appropriated for use in the downtown district. The Chamber of Commerce is back of the improvements and will see that the work doesn't lag.

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There was something so uncanny in all this that she was now thoroughly frightened. Dropping the seaweed, she put both hands to her temples in an effort to regain her equilibrium. Then, rushing out of the room, she ran to her aunt and sank in a swoon.

Ten minutes later Dr. Cogswell, medical officer at the academy, was called to Professor Lyall's quarters. He found Mrs. Peckham lying on a bed in a high state of nervous excitement. Mrs. Lyall told the doctor, before he saw the patient, the story her niece had told her, and he did not permit the invalid to go over it again. He said that the expectation for a long while that her husband would at any time participate in a naval engagement and the excitement attending the recent fight had been a strain upon her nerves that had produced hallucination. He prescribed a sedative and left directions that she was to be kept quiet.

But Mrs. Peckham did not recover from the strain as soon as was expected. And one morning something occurred to give her a terrible back set. A telegram from Key West acted in a morning paper stating that a little naval tender, commanded by Leslie Holt, had been wrecked on one of the keys and all on board had been lost.

Mrs. Lyall kept this news from her niece as long as she dared, hoping the invalid would gain strength and there would be less danger in communicating it to her. Finally, fearing that Kate might hear it from others, she told her of young Holt's death.

If anything was needed to complete the conviction that the wrath of the man who had told her she had wrecked his life had visited her, the announcement of his death supplied it. A subsequent letter, however, from Peckham served to lighten the blow. Kate felt that the matter had no reference to her husband; it was between her and Leslie Holt. She considered it a punishment for having trifled with him and brooded and brooded, and all efforts on the part of her friends to convince her that there was nothing in it except a creation of her own brain under a nervous strain were fruitless.

In time Peckham came north, and it was hoped that his presence would lift the cloud that hung over his wife. It helped her, but did not cure her. She went about as before, but how changed!

"What a sad sight is Mrs. Peckham," said one of the men with whom she had trifled—one of the older ones, an officer. "The matter proves the innocence of her action when so many of us were attentive to her. Wicked people are not remorseful. The tender consciences are usually to be found in innocence. Had she been a heartless, wicked flirt the fact that she had wrecked a man's life would have pleased her. Instead of this, his telling her that she had wrecked his life wrecked hers. He should not have said such a thing to her, and he would not have said it had he been older and realized the effect it would have on her."

It is years since this shock came to Mrs. Peckham, and although it has somewhat worn away, it has left its effects. She is still beloved, for at heart she is the same innocent woman, though very different from the days of her girlhood. Every one except herself refers the visit of the wrath to a shock coming from overstrained nerves. She would as soon doubt her existence as doubt the reality of the visit. After sufficiently recovering to talk about it she declared that she not only smelled the salt air of the sea, but saw Leslie Holt standing before her—not lifeless, it is true, because he was very pale, and he had the appearance of having been in the water. The only thing to prove her position was the letter she received and the seaweed, but that disappeared during her first shock and never was recovered.

## A Bit of Seaweed

### A Story of the War For Cuba.

By ETHEL HOLMES

Kate Langdon was a character. Not especially pretty, she had a way with her that first attracted people's attention, then won them. Some said she was very deep, others that she was a simple child of nature. She was certainly reckless. She would flirt with several men at a time without heeding the consequences and when cornered would, if possible, dodge them all by flight, leaving them to settle the matter among themselves.

And so it was that some blamed her, others defended her, but all were amused by her. It was very interesting to see a middy come upon the edge of the vortex, get drawn in, drop out, giving place perhaps to a fellow middy, perhaps to an officer. Whether the girl realized the wrong she was often doing, whether she was unconscious of it or whether she had no appreciation of the tenderness of men's hearts, certain it is that she never seemed either ashamed of her conquests or proud of them. Indeed, she gave every evidence that she regretted them.

A fine field for such girls is either the West Point or Annapolis academy, where young men are trained for the army or navy. Kate Langdon the year of the breaking out of the Spanish-American war visited the Naval academy as the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Lyall, the wife of one of the professors. She hadn't been there a week before she had half a dozen middies "by the ears."

In the class to be graduated the following spring were two young men, Hector Peckham and Leslie Holt. Both met Kate Langdon, and both fell violently in love with her. In the government academies the standard of honor is very high. Neither of the cadets would take the slightest advantage of the other, but neither could find out which was really the favored one. Nor were they ever sure but that one of several other middies might not after all carry off the prize.

Peckham finally won. Kate gave him her heart and, to the surprise of every one, gave him the whole of it. There were a number of disappointments in consequence of this victory, the most serious of which was Leslie Holt. Kate had given him a great deal of encouragement and for some time after she came to a decision hadn't the heart to break with him. When it finally came out that Peckham had won, Holt went to see her to ask if the news were true. She confessed, and he told her that she had wrecked his life.

Young men have said this before to young women, to marry some other and live happily. Some have remained single, cherishing their idol in their hearts, to meet that idol when past middle age and find it demoralized. Holt so long as he lived—he did not live long—never recovered from his infatuation. The words he used at his last meeting with Kate Langdon made the first change in her. By them her light, gladsome nature received its first sobering.

Meanwhile the Cuban war was coming on, and ships and munitions were being hurriedly put in condition for war. And the middies, too, were being hurried on in their academic course, to be graduated as soon as hostilities commenced.

The following spring Peckham and Holt were graduated and assigned to a war vessel sailing for Cuba. Peckham and Kate were married before he sailed. The wedding was notable from the number of disappointed young men in attendance. But every man of them swore by the bride and considered the groom the luckiest man that had ever wooed woman.

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